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\$500,000 MABEE CHALLENGE GRANT FOR AVILA FIELDHOUSE

Avila College has received a \$500,000 challenge grant for a fieldhouse. The college will receive the funds from the Mabee Foundation in Tulsa, Oklahoma upon receipt of a letter stating Avila has funds and/or pledges totaling \$500,000. To beat inflationary factors the funds must be matched as soon as possible.

Currently the college is working on the final plans. The fieldhouse will be located on the southwest corner of the campus near O'Rielly Hall.

Through the contributions of those present at the third annual Avila College American Royal Steer Dinner the college raised \$25,000 towards the \$50,000 goal.

Enthusiasm is running high among students, faculty and staff on campus and among the many friends of the college. Their combined efforts mean a fieldhouse for the Avila campus.

The Steer Dinner was a huge success as these pictures indicate. Marian and Henry Bloch and Clarence Kelley, Carol and Bob Hickey; Sister Olive Louise, Nancy Webb, Kathy and Mick Aslin, Bill Webb; Teresa and Manfred Weber; Penney and Bill Mackay, Dorothy Cook, Pauline and Marvin Lusk, Marita Anderson; Mary Agnes and Ed Thornhill, Mary Betty Green, Bob Boyle, Jim Green; Dorothy Whitfield and Robin Walsh; Henry Bloch, Catherin and Gene McFarland, Jan Elliott and Robin Walsh, student hostesses.

Masthead Photo: George Morse, Bill Grigsby and Bob Boyle are all smiles as they ready for the steak auction.



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TRUMAN LECTURE TICKETS AVAILABLE MARCH 12

Tickets for Clarence Kelley's 1979 Truman Lecture, to be held Monday, April 2, will be available March 12. You are invited to attend and may receive your complimentary tickets by calling 942-8400, extension 260.

TENNIS SCHEDULE SET

The 1979 tennis season will begin in mid-March and the teams are busy preparing, according to second year coach, Fred Geer. The men's and women's teams are practicing indoors until the weather breaks and are looking forward to improving last year's records.

The women's squad is more experienced hoping to overcome inconsistency while the men have 4 newcomers (2 freshmen, 1 sophomore and 1 junior) on a squad facing tougher competition.

The women's team leads the way with a March 15 date at William Jewell; the men open at Central Missouri State U. on March 19. During the season the men have 11 home dates (beginning March 20 vs. Luther College) and the women play host in 6 of 12 matches (beginning March 29 vs. Rockhurst).



Myron Brody, Head of Avila's Visual Arts Division, was commissioned to do a sculpture for the Kansas City Police Department's North Patrol Division Headquarters. Brody (second from right), is shown with Mayor Charles Wheeler, Jr. (far right), Police Chief Norman Caron (in uniform) and members of the Board of Police Commissioners (from left) James McNeill, Clinton Kanaga, Frank Paxton and Gwendolyn Wells. The bronze sculpture, Forma Sietz, was dedicated in January.

SCHOLARSHIP SPONSOR'S COFFEE, APRIL 3

The Avila College Scholarship Sponsors will hold their annual Spring Coffee at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, April 3, 1979. The event, in the Whitfield Education Centre, features a presentation by Father Patrick J. Diffley, "The Three Interlocking Global Crises: Energy, Hunger and Violence." A discussion will follow with a panel comprised of Sister Martha Smith, Professor of History; Dona Neuman, Chairperson of the Department of Social Sciences; and Larry Sullivan, Chairperson of the Department of Natural Sciences. Margaret McMahon, Scholarship Sponsors Secretary, is chairing the annual event. Members are invited to R.S.V.P. by calling 942-8400.